Interdepartment Correspondence Sheet

TO:	ALL HOLDERS OF ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTIVES	_
FROM:	Carl L. White, Director of Finance	_
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SUBJECT:	ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTIVE 4.8 - CITY DRIVER EVALUATION	
	Date December 21, 198	8

Because of an increasing number of incidents wherein City employees are operating City and/or privately owned vehicles (on City business) while their drivers license are SUSPENDED, it has become necessary to amend City A.D. 4.8. Therefore, paragraph B. 5. of A.D. 4.8 is changed to read:

"Employees, and other persons, operating City vehicles or privately owned vehicles in the course of conducting official City business will operate such vehicles in a safe and prudent manner, and must report the suspension, cancellation and/or revocation of their driver's license IMMEDIATELY to their Immediate Supervisor, who shall assume the direct responsibility of informing the Division and Department Heads, and the Risk Management Safety Office (299-8707) of the status of the employee's drivers license. Under no circumstances shall the employee be permitted to operate a vehicle for the City UNTIL he/she has been re-authorized to do so through the procedures contained elsewhere in this directive.

This memorandum must be filed with each copy of A.D. 4.8, and its contents must be distributed to each City driver.

The effective date of this change shall be 30 days from the date of this memorandum.

APPROVED:

Carl L. White, Direct of Finance

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Costantino, Director of Personnel

Louis J. Fox, City Manager

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TO:	All Department Directors and Holders of Administrative Directives
	Joseph A. Costantino, Director of Personnel
	City Manager's Office; File
	REVISED ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTIVE 4.8 - CITY DRIVER EVALUATION
	Dote June 17, 1987

Attached is a copy of revised Administrative Directive 4.8.

EXCEPT as noted below, all other portions of this directive are effective immediately.

Procedures contained in paragraphs 4. c through h, shall become effective October 1, 1987.

Drivers placed on probation prior to October 1, 1987, will be "grandfathered" under the original directive dated June 9, 1980.

Actions required by paragraph D (page 6) of this directive must be completed within 30 days after receiving this letter and the attached directive.

Joseph A. Costantino Director of Personnel

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ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTIVE 4.8

EFFECTIVE	DATE:	June 9,	1980			
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SUBJECT:		CITY DRI	VER EVAL	UATION		

A. To establish procedures necessary for evaluating the driving records of all employees, or other persons (interns and volunteers) who occasionally, or on a regular basis, drive City owned vehicles or their privately owned vehicles on official City Business.

To ensure that all employees, and other persons, operating vehicles in the course of conducting official City business are properly licensed by the State of Texas, and are authorized by the Personnel Department or the Risk Management Division to drive for the City.

To define the meaning of "vehicle" as used in the context of this Directive. Vehicle means any motorized self-propelling two, three, or four (or more) wheel vehicle operated on streets, roadways, highways, City Parks having streets and roadways, and other City Property (landfills, burn sites, etc.,) on which citizens operate private or commercial vehicles on a regular basis.

B. Responsibilities:

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- 1. Each Department Head will insure departmental compliance with the provisions of this Administrative Directive.
- 2. The Personnel Department will be responsible for conducting Drive Evaluations on New Employees, and on Current Employees being promoted to a position requiring the employee to drive on City business.
- 3. The Risk Management Division of the Finance Department will be responsible for receiving and processing all driver Evaluation requests, other than those listed in paragraph 2. above.
- 4. Departments will forward two (2) copies of the Driver Evaluation and Traffic Check request form (see attach #1) to: "Risk-Management Division, ATTN: Safety Office".
- 5. Employees, and other persons, operating City vehicles or privately owned vehicles in the course of conducting official City business will operate such vehicles in a safe and prudent manner. To do otherwise, will subject drivers to appropriate disciplinary action.
- 6. Other than Seasonal Employees and other short term persons, employees, and other persons, operating vehicles in the course of conducting City business must attend the National Safety Council's Defensive Driving Course (DDC) conducted by the City,

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and shall attend other types of driver training as required or conducted by the City. All City drivers must attend the Defensive Driving Course every three (3) years, or sooner, if directed by the Department, Risk Management or City Management. Newly employed drivers, and all current City employees being assigned or promoted to driver status, must attend the Defensive Driving Course (DDC) as soon as possible, but not later than thirty (30) days after being authorized to drive on City business. Supervisors can schedule NEW drivers for DDC by calling the Risk Management Safety Office at 299-8702 or 8707.

- 7. Each Department, through whatever means deemed appropriate, shall ensure that each driver has a valid Texas Driver's License (or receipt therefor) appropriate for the type of vehicle to be operated. NOTE: See Attachment \$2 to determine the appropriate type of license required. SPECIAL NOTE: If three (3) wheel vehicles are operated on the street (including large parks having streets and roadways), operators of such vehicles must have at least a CLASS "C" license and must be authorized to drive through the procedures of this Administrative Directive.
- 8. Each Department shall be responsible for the training required of any employee the department wishes to assign or promote to a driving status requiring a higher class driver's license; i.e., from Class "C" to "B" or "A" or Class "B" to "A". In either case, the driver trainee (while in training status) must be accompanied by a driver licensed in the Class in which the trainee is being trained.
- 9. Employees, or other persons, will not be permitted to drive for the City until the driver evaluation has been completed, and they have been authorized to drive by the Personnel Department (new hires and employees being promoted) or by the Risk Management Division, as appropriate.

C. Procedures

- 1. All City employees, potential City employees, or any other person whose position requires them to drive for the City must pass the driver evaluation criteria set forth below:
 - a. Any City driver or potential City driver having three (3) or more moving traffic violation convictions (see attachment #3 for listing of violations) recorded against his/her driver's license by the Department of Public Safety (DPS), and/or the Municipal Court within one (1) year of the Date of the request for the driver evaluation will not be eligible to

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drive for the City, unless otherwise covered by Paragraph 4.c. below. Such drivers will be reconsidered if they can provide written proof that they were not convicted, or, after six months. At which time, the applicant or employee may reapply and be eligible for another driver evaluation.

- b. Any City driver or potential City driver having three (3) or more vehicle accidents, in which they were found to be at fault, recorded against his/her driver's license by DPS, and/or the Municipal Court, or on file in the employee's 201 File, and/or in the Risk Management files, within two (2) years of the date of the request for the driver evaluation, will not be eligible to drive for the City, unless otherwise covered by Paragraph 4.c. below. Such drivers will be reconsidered if they can provide written proof that they were not found at fault in enough of the accidents to reduce the number of accidents to two (2) or less. For current City drivers, the employee's Field 201 File and the Risk Management files can be used to help the employee provide the written proof. An ineligible driver may reapply and be reconsidered after six (6) months.
- c. Any City driver, or potential City driver having seven (7) or more moving traffic violation convictions, or five (5) or more vehicle accidents in which they were at fault, in the past three (3) years (from the date of the evaluation request), will be considered as an "habitual offender" and will not be eligible to drive for the City, unless otherwise covered by paragraph 4.c. below. Habitual offenders may reapply and be reconsidered after six (6) months.
- d. Any City driver, or potential City driver having an OUTSTANDING Department of Public Safety (DPS) and/or Municipal Court Arrest Warrant will not be eligible to drive for the City until written proof is provided to the Personnel Department or the Risk Management Safety Office, as appropriate, that the warrant has been cleared.

2. New Job Applicants:

a. All applicants applying for a position that requires driving a City vehicle or privately owned vehicle on City business will be advised by the Personnel Placement Officer, that being hired will be contingent upon passing the driver evaluation.

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- b. Personnel Placement Officers will ensure that the applicant has a current Texas driver's license and that it is appropriate for the type of vehicle that the employee will be operating.
- c. The Department submitting the personnel requisition form will be responsible for indicating/listing the type/class of license required for the position to be filled.

3. <u>Back-Up Drivers</u>, <u>Employees Promoted</u>, or <u>Assigned to Driver</u> <u>Status</u>

- a. Employees being considered as back-up drivers, for promotion to a driving position, or assigned to drive, must pass the driver evaluation before being permitted to drive.
- b. The Department concerned must submit a Driver Evaluation and Traffic Check Form (see Attach #1) to the Risk Management Safety Office in order to initiate the driver evaluation check on all drivers except new hires and employees being promoted (see Paragraph B.2. above and 4.a. below).

4. Current City Drivers:

- a. After the initial new hires or promotion evaluation by the Personnel Department, all City drivers will undergo an ANNUAL driver evaluation. Departments shall submit two (2) copies of the Driver Evaluation Request Form (see Attach #1) annually on the Employee's Performance Appraisal date.
- b. The Risk Management Division of the Finance Department will:
 - 1. Receive (from the Departments) and process all Annual and other Driver Evaluation requests except new hires and employees being promoted (see paragraph B.2. above)
 - 2. Approve and return one (1) copy of the Evaluation Request to the Appropriate Department for those drivers passing the evaluation.
- c. Current City drivers who do not meet the criteria setforth in paragraph C.l. above will be placed on six (6) months probationary driving status by the Director of Finance and the Appropriate Assistant City Manager.

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- d. Drivers being placed on probation will be so notified by receipt of the form letter shown in Attachment #4 of this directive.
- e. Drivers placed on probation will be permitted to drive during the probation period, but must attend the City's next monthly Defensive Driving Course (DDC). NOTE: Contact Risk Management Safety Office for course dates.
- f. Upon completion of the probationary period, the Risk Management Division will automatically initiate a follow-up evaluation to determine if the driver can re-qualify.
- g. If the follow-up evaluation reveals that the driver has not been convicted of any additional moving traffic violation, or has not been found at fault in a vehicle accident (whichever is appropriate) during the probationary period, the employee, the Department Head, and the Personnel Department will be notified by receipt of the form letter shown in Attachment \$5\$ that the driver has been removed from probation and returned to normal driving status.
- h. If the follow-up evaluation reveals that the driver has been convicted of another moving traffic violation, or was found at fault in a vehicle accident (whichever is appropriate) during the probationary period, the employee, the Department Head, and the Personnel Department will be notified by receipt of the form letter shown in Attachment \$6 that the driver is NO LONGER AUTHORIZED to drive for the city, and that one of the following actions is required:
 - Demotion and transfer to a non-driving position in a job classification for which the employee is qualified, if any such positions are available. NOTE: As in any other change/transfer from one Job Classification to another, "adjustment in wages will be made accordingly."
 - 2. Possible termination of employment with the City.

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D. Special Requirement:

In order to insure that all City drivers are aware of the importance of maintaining a good driving record, and the major points of this Administrative Directive, Departments will insure that a signed copy of the Certificate of Acknowledgement shown in Attachment # 8 is on file in each driver's Field 201 File, and that a copy is forwarded to the Personnel Department for the employee's Official 201 file.

E. Other Affected Directives:

This directive supersedes City Administrative Directive 4.61 - Proper Driver's License, Dated June 9, 1980.

Joe Costantino, Director of Personnel

Carl L. White, Director of Finance

Louis J. Fox, Lity Manager

SCHEMATIC OF TEXAS CLASSIFIED LICENSING PLAN

CLASS Any vehicle or combination of vehicles including all vehicles in Classes B and C. but excluding motorcycles or mopeds. A Any single vehicle with a gross vehicle weight exceeding 24,000 pounds or any such vehicle towing a vehicle not in excess of 10,000 pounds gross vehicle weight or any bus, including all vehicles in Class C but excluding motorcycles or B mopeds. Any two-axle single vehicle not in excess of 24,000 pounds gross vehicle weight or any such vehicle towing a vehicle not in excess of 10,000 pounds gross weight or a bus with a seating capacity of less than 24 passengers, but excluding motorcycles or mopeds. Any motorcycle or moped. M

DRIVER EVALUATION AND TRAFFIC CHECK

(For Drivers Operating City <u>and/or Privately Owned Vehicles On City Business)</u>

Reference City Administrative Directive 4.8

SUBMIT TV	NO (2) COPIES TO:	
	k Management Division n: Safety Office	Date of Request
FROM:		
De	partment and Division	Phone Number
Request:	Driver Evaluation on:	Driver's Name (typed or printed)
Reason:	Annual	Texas Driver's License Number
	Special	
	Assigned as Back-Up Driver	License Expiration Date
	Assigned to Drive (No Promotion)	Date of Birth Current Address
	Confirmation for Promoted Driver	Current Address
	Transfer	
	Confirmation of New Hiree(driver)	December on Division
		Department or Division
	FOR RISK M	ANAGEMENT USE ONLY
APPROVED	TO DRIVE:::::	
	Date 	Safety Coordinator Risk Management Division
Previous	Editions of this form <u>CAN</u>	NNOT BE USED
	(Obtain this Form from	Central Stores)
Revised:	: July 86	•
Attachme	ent # 1 to A.D. 4.8	•

CODE NUMBERS OF MAJOR VIOLATIONS

CODE NO.	Hazardous Moving Violation
01	Exceeding Stated Speed Limit
02 03	Too Fast For Conditions (Unsafe) Exceeding Speed Limit in School Zone
03	Speeding - Radar
05	Impeding Traffic or Drove Less Than Min. Auth. Speed
06	Disregard Stop Sign
07	Disregard Stop and Go Light
08	Disregard Other Traffic Signs & Signals
09	Failure to Yield Right of Way
10	Improper Turning
11	Wrong Side Not Passing or Wrong Way
12	Following Too Closely
13	Improper Overtaking
14	Failure to Signal or Improper Signal
15	Pulling Away (Started improperly from parked position)
16	Failed to Yield Right of Way to Pedestrian
17	Disregard Police Officer/Flagman/Other Auth.
18	Failed to Use Designated Slow Lane
19	Crossed Physical Barrier
20 21	Drove Onto/off Controlled Access Rd. Where Prohibited Failed to Stop at RR Signal or Crossing Gate
22	Bus Failed to Stop at RR Crossing
23	Heavy Equipment Failed to Stop for RR Crossing
24	Failed to Stop - Leaving Alley or Private Driveway
25	Backed So As To Interfere, etc.,
26	Drove on Sidewalk or Cut Thru Driveway
27	Unsafe Behavior - Pedestrians
28	Disobeyed Police Officer
29	Failed To Yield
30	Disregarded Traffic Control Signal
31	Disregarded Pederstrian Control Signal
32	Crossed Between Intersection Where Prohibited
33	Walked in Roadway Where Sidewalks Provided
34	Other Hazardous Acts (DWI, DUI, etc.,)
	Other Violations
35	No Motor Vehicle Liability Insurance
39	Equipment Violation - Brakes
40	Equipment Violation - Lights
41	Equipment Violation - Signal Devices
. 44	Other Equipment Violations
46	Others

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FнОМ	Carl L. White, Director of Finance		
COPIES TO	See Distribution		
SUBJECT:	Driving Status of		
		Date	

This letter is to inform you that a recent evaluation of your driving record revealed that you have exceeded the criteria/standards established in City Administrative Directive 4.8 - City Driver Evaluation.

CRITERIA/STANDARD EXCEEDED:

Based upon the findings of your evaluation, and in compliance with City Administrative Directive 4.8, EFFECTIVE WITH THE DATE YOU RECEIVE THIS LETTER, you are placed on SIX (6) MONTHS DRIVER PROBATIONARY STATUS. During this probationary period, you will be allowed to continue to drive for the City under the same conditions that existed prior to receipt of this letter.

Upon completion of the probationary period, the City's Risk Management Division will conduct a follow-up evaluation. If the follow-up evaluation reveals that you have not been convicted of any additional moving traffic violation, and/or have not been found at fault in any vehicle accident (whichever is appropriate) during the probationary period, you will be REMOVED from probationary status and returned to NORMAL driving status.

If the follow-up evaluation reveals that you have been convicted of any additional moving traffic violation, and/or have been found at fault in a vehicle accident (whichever is appropriate) during the probationary period, you WILL BE REVOVED FROM DRIVING STATUS.

SPECIAL NOTE::: Removal from driving status will result in one of the following actions:

- a. Demotion and transfer to a non-driving position in a Job Classification for which you can qualify, if any such positions are available. NOTE: As in any other change/transfer from one Job Classification to another, adjustment in wages will be made accordingly.
- b. Possible termination of employment with the City.

A copy of your evaluation is attached for your review. If you can provide written proof to the Risk Management Safety Office that you were not convicted of these traffic violations or that you were found not to be at fault for the vehicle accident, your driver evaluation will be re-evaluated.

Carl L. White
Director of Finance

Attachments

APPROVED:

ALEX BRISENO

Assistant City Manager

cc:

Joe Costantino, Director, Personnel Safety Office, Risk Management Division

Employee's Acknowledgement of Receipt:	Date:	_ Signature
Deliverer's Confirmation of Delivery:	Date:	Signature
* Witness' Confirmation of Delivery:	Date:	Signature
* Required if employee refuse	es to sign.	

****All action concerning this letter must be completed and the Risk Management Copy returned to the Risk Management Safety Office not later than

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TO:		
FROM:	Carl L. White, Director of Finance	
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SUBJECT:	Driving Status of	
		Date

Reference my letter of

regarding the captioned subject.

The follow-up Driver Evaluation required by City Administrative Directive 4. 8 revealed that the above named employee now meets the City's driving criteria/standards.

EFFECTIVE WITH THE DATE OF THIS LETTER, the above named employee is REMOVED from Driver Probationary Status and RETURNED to normal driving status.

Carl L. White Director of Finance

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APPROVED:

ALEX BRISENO

Assistant City Manager

cc: Joe Costantino, Director, Personnel Safety Office, Risk Management Division

Attachment # 5 to A.D. 4.8

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4.8 revealed that your driving record still exceeds the City's criteria/standards. Therefore, EFFECTIVE WITH THE DATE YOU RECEIVE THIS LETTER, your driving status is changed from "PROBATIONARY" to "NO LONGER AUTHORIZED TO DRIVE".

A copy of your latest evaluation is attached for your review. If you can

provide written proof to the Risk Management Safety Office that you were not convicted of these traffic violations or that you were found not to be at fault for the vehicle accidents (whichever is appropriate), your driver evaluation will be re-evaluated.

If you need assistance in how and what proof to provide, contact the Risk Management Safety Office.

As stated in my letter of and in paragraph 4.i. of City Administrative Directive 4.8, your removal from driving status will result in one of the following actions:

- a. Demotion and transfer to a non-driving postion in a Job Classification for which you can qualify, if any such positions are available. NOTE:: As in any other change/transfer from one Job Classification to another, Adjustment in wages will be made accordingly.
- b. Possible termination of employment with the City.

Approved:

ALEX BRISENO

Asst. City Manager

Carl L. White

Director of Finance

cc: Joe Costantino, Director, Personnel Department Safety Office, Risk Management Division

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Acknowledgment of Receipt:	Date	Signature
Deliverer's Confirmation of Delivery:	Date	Signature
*Witness' Confirmation of Delivery:	Date	Signature
*Required if employee refuse	s to sign.	
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DELIVERY AND RECEIPT INSTRUCTIONS FOR

DRIVING STATUS LETTERS

PERSON DELIVERING THIS LETTER:

- 1. Deliver both copies of this letter (in person) to the named employee.
- 2. Review (read, if necessary) the contents of the letter with the employee.
- 3. Request the employee to acknowledge receipt of the letter by signing the appropriate signature space.
- 4. If the employee refuses to sign the acknowledgement block, request any Supervisor available to witness the delivery of the letter by dating and signing the Witness Block.
- 5. Record "Employee Refused to Sign" in the Acknowledgement of Receipt Block.
- 6. Date and sign the Confirmation of Delivery Block.
- 7. Give one copy of the letter to the employee.
- 8. Retain any copies of the letter required for Department files.
- 9. Return the "Risk Management Copy" of the letter to the Risk Management Safety Office, after it has been signed by all concerned.

EMPLOYEE TO WHOM THIS LETTER IS DELIVERED:

- 1. Review the contents of the letter with the person delivering the letter.
- 2. Date and sign both copies of the letter in the Acknowledgement of Receipt Block. Your signature means <u>only</u> that you have received the letter.
- 3. Return the copy marked "Risk Management Copy" to the person delivering the letter to you.
- 4. Keep one copy of the letter for your personal use/file.
 - ****The above delivery and receipt procedures and the attached letter to the employee have been coordinated with, and approved by the Employee Relations Division of the City's Personnel Department****